

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**Attorney Docket No. 007035.00034**

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| In re the Application of LE HERVET, et al. | ) |  |
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| Application No. 10/599,586                 | ) | Examiner: TBA                                    |
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| Filed: 02 October 2006                     | ) |  |
|  | ) | U.S. National Stage of International Application |
| For: Series of Electrolysis Cells for the  | ) | No. PCT/FR2005/000758                            |
| Production of Aluminium                    | ) |  |
| Comprising Means for                       |   | International Filing Date: 30 March 2005         |
| Equilibration of the Magnetic              |   |  |
| Fields at the Ends of the Lines            |   | Confirmation No. 1142                            |

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the instant application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** is attached.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing. However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such a fee or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.